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PANAMA.

Reports from Colon—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, July 25, as follows:

During the week ended July 23, 1904, the following vessels cleared from this port for ports in the United States: Norwegian steamship *Banan* for New Orleans, via Bluefields, July 18, with 17 crew and 2 passengers; American steamship *Advance* for New York, July 20, with 63 crew and 61 passengers; British steamship *Capella* for New Orleans, via Mexican ports, July 21, with 35 crew and 3 passengers.

No new cases of yellow fever at Panama—Sanitary service in Panama and Colon—Maritime quarantine service.

No cases of yellow fever have been officially reported in the city of Panama since the one case which terminated fatally on the 15th instant.

In the port of Colon no cases have been observed, and the general sanitary conditions are fairly good. While malarial fever is very prevalent no cases of pernicious type have recently come to my knowledge.

The sanitary service in Panama and in Colon is being organized, and a rigid inspection will soon be inaugurated. The settlement at Cristobal, where the employees of the Canal Commission at this end are quartered, is being put in good sanitary condition, and the number of mosquitoes has considerably diminished since the work was begun.

The maritime quarantine service under the direction of Surg. H. R. Carter, chief quarantine officer, has been inaugurated, and Surg. J. C. Perry, as quarantine officer, has been placed in command at Colon. All vessels entering this port are now being boarded and inspected by Surgeon Perry, according to the regulations and orders that have been issued. As soon as practicable a detention station will be installed at this port in order to meet any emergency that may arise.

Report from Bocos del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhaut reports as follows: Week ended July 28, 1904. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; no deaths; prevailing disease, malarial fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disen- fected.
July 22 24 27 28	Colombia. Taunton. Fort Morgan Olympia.	New Orleans, La Mobile, Ala	24 23	0 0 2 3	0 0 0 0	0 0 4 5

PERSIA.

$Report\ from\ Teheran-Cholera-Relief\ measures.$

Vice-Consul-General Tyler reports, July 9, as follows:
Cholera has increased in this city to a most alarming extent. The
mortality has from this source alone within the last week risen from